

## Message Text

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ACTION SY-05

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P R 170605Z FEB 77  
FM AMEMBASSY MOGADISCIO  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 4623  
INFO M UTABA/AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA 4914

AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: ASEC  
SUBJ: REALIGNMENT OF RSO GEORGRAPHICAL RESPONSIBILITIES

REFS: A) STATE 03281; B) ADDIS ABABA 0935; C) NAIROBI 2082

1. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS REASONS FOR REALIGNMENT OF RSO RESPONSIBILITIES

KREFTELS) BUT WONDERS WHETHER MOGADISCIO'S ATTACHMENT TO RSO NAIROBVJ  
WILL BE AS EFFECTIVE, IN PRACTICE, AS DEPARTMENT EXPECTS.

2. EXPERIENCE SHOWS THAT IT IS OFTEN VERY DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN  
SOMALI VISAS FROM GSDR EMBASSY AT NAIROBI, AND AIRLINE CONNECTIONS  
ARE, AT LEAST TEMPORARILY, CUT BACK. THESE FACTORS COULD MAKE IT  
DIFFICULT TO TRAVEL TO MOGADISCIO ON SHORT NOTICE. MOREOVER, RSO  
NAIROBI'S ALREADY VERY EXTENSIVE TERRITORY AND THE LARGE PERSONNEL  
COMPLEMENT AND BUILDING PROGRAM AT NAIROBI ITSELF ARE CONSIDERABLE  
BURDEN FOR THE AVAILABLE RSO PERSONNEL THERE, WITHOUT ADDITION OF  
ANOTHER POST. ALSO, AS DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, SECURITY PROBLEMS OF  
THIS POST ARE NOT ROUTINE ONES. RSO ADDIS ABABA CAN ATTEST TO SOME  
OF THE SPECIAL AND PRESSING PROBLEMS AT MOGADISCION WHICH HAVE  
ROBMPED TO KEEP HIM BUSY

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3. WBNXVV CONFIDENCE THAT RSO NAIROBI WILL DO EVERYTHING  
IT CAN FOR MOGADISCIO, BUT WE WONDER ABOUT PRACTICAL LIMITS  
OF TIME AND PERSONNEL. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE RSO NAIROBI'S  
FRANK VIEWS ON ITS CAPACITY TO COVER MOGADISCIO, BOTH ON A  
SCHEDULED AND EMERGENCY BASIS.

4. IF NAIROBI BELIEVES IT CAN COVER MOGADISCIO'S NEEDS

FULLY, EMBASSY WILL BE HAPPY TO WORK WITH IT. BUT, IF THERE  
IS ANY DOUBT ABOUT SY COVERAGE OF THIS POST UNDER NEW  
ARRANGEMENT, DEPARTMENT SHOULD TAKE ANOTHER LOOK AT TOTAL  
SY REQUIREMENTS OF NUMBER OF POSTS IN THIS VOLATILE PART OF  
AFRICA.  
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